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Speeding SUV kills two in their twenties

Four-wheeler hits bike, then rams into scooter near AIISH gate on Chaduranga Road

*PIC. 1: **The damaged bike of food delivery boy Mahadevaswamy.** PIC. 2: **Broken wheel of the scooter on which deceased Ullas and Shivani were riding.** PIC. 3: **The SUV that rammed into the bike and scooter, killing two persons in city yesterday.***

Mysuru, Apr. 15 (RK&KS)- Two young individuals, aged 22 and 21, tragically lost their lives, while a food delivery person named Mahadevaswamy sustained injuries when an SUV collided with their two-wheelers in the early hours of Apr. 14, near the All India Speech and Hearing (AIISH) Gate on Chaduranga Road. The deceased have been identified as Ullas and Shivani, while Mahadevaswamy has been identified as the injured party.

On Apr. 14, around 1 am, Ullas and Shivani were travelling on their Honda Dio scooter (KA-55-V-6436), with Mahadevaswamy following on his TVS Star City bike (KA-55-K-7616) along Chaduranga Road.

Suddenly, a Hyundai Tucson SUV (KA-09-MH-1567), driven by Akash, a resident of Kuvempunagar and an employee of a private IT company in Bengaluru, speedily approached from behind.

The SUV first collided with Mahadevaswamy, causing him serious injuries, before crashing into the scooter carrying Ullas and Shivani.

The impact of the collision tragically claimed the life of Ullas on the spot, while Shivani sustained severe injuries.

(See SUV on page 7)

After BJP's poll rally

Yaduveer couple embarks on cleaning drive

Mysuru, Apr. 15 (BLU&BCT)- The Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has influenced the approach to election campaigning, particularly in the Mysuru-Kodagu Constituency.

Traditionally, political leaders tend to leave venues after addressing large crowds during campaign rallies, often leaving behind litter and generating public resentment. However, Mysuru-Kodagu BJP candidate Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar took a different approach.

This morning, he personally took the initiative to clean up the Maharaja's College Grounds, where a massive campaign rally was held last evening, attended by thousands of people and addressed by PM Modi to seek votes for BJP-JD(S) candidates of Mysuru-Kodagu, Mandya, Chamarajanagar and Hassan Constituencies.

Yaduveer was accompanied by his wife Trishikha Kumari Wadiyar in the cleaning drive.

The couple's actions demonstrated a commitment to the principles of cleanliness and responsibility towards the community, setting a positive example for others to follow.

(See YADUVEER on page 7)

Summer camp begins at Mysuru Zoo

Mysuru, Apr. 15 (MTY&DM)- The first batch of the 10-day summer camp for children, organised as part of Mysore Zoo's in-reach activities, was inaugurated at amphitheatre in Zoo (Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens) premises this morning.

During the inauguration of the summer camp, Zoo Executive Director D. Mahesh Kumar highlighted the rich history and development of the Mysuru Zoo since its establishment in 1892. He emphasised that the Zoo has undergone significant growth and is now recognised as a self-reliant institution in the country.

"Mysuru Zoo has become a beacon of self-sufficiency, setting an example for other Zoos across the nation. Through innovative initiatives such as producing vermicompost from internal animal waste, we promote the concept of 'Waste to Wealth'," he stated.

Furthermore, Mahesh Kumar mentioned the pioneering efforts of Mysuru Zoo in introducing animal adoption programmes, setting yet another milestone in Zoo management practices in India.

(See ZOO on page 7)

Mysuru Zoo Executive Director D. Mahesh Kumar adressing the participants of the first batch of the Zoo Summer Camp at the Zoo's amphitheatre in city this morning.

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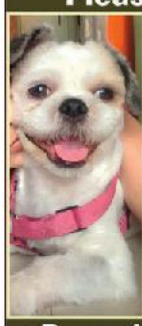
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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 15th April 2024

Inauguration of exclusive book library at JSS Hospital

Mysuru, Apr. 15- The exclusive book library for patients and their family members at JSS Hospital will be inaugurated at the Hospital Lobby tomorrow (Apr. 16) at 10 am, under the joint aegis of Department of Psychiatry, JSS Medical College (JSS MC) and Hospital, Department of Clinical Pharmacy, JSS College of Pharmacy and JSS DIAL (Doctors Interested in Alternative Learning) Book Club, JSS Hospital.

Padma Shri awardee Dr. C.R. Chandrashekhar, well-known Kannada writer on Health & Wellness and former Professor of Psychiatry at National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS) will be the chief guest.

Dr. H. Basavanagowdappa, Principal, JSS MC and Dr. C.P. Madhu, Medical Superintendent, JSS Hospital, Mysuru, will be the guests of honour.

Followed by inauguration, Dr. C.R. Chandrashekhar will deliver a talk at Sri Rajendra Centenary Auditorium, 3rd Floor, JSS Hospital, on World Health Day Theme 'My Health, My Right' from 10.15 am onwards. The event is open for public.

The exclusive book library is a small step to engage patients and families visiting the hospital. The library is fully funded by Minds United Trust, Mysuru and Infosys Foundation, Bengaluru.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Road accidents are on the rise in India. Though deaths from road accidents globally are down by five per cent, the numbers are up in India. What makes this problematic is that India already has high numbers.

As per the National Crimes Record Bureau (NCRB) report, among the significant causes of accidental deaths in India — road, railway and railway crossing accidents are the most important. Road accidents account for 97.3 per cent of the total accidents. A total of 68,236 road accidents were reported in 53 cities of India in 2022, in which 17,680 persons lost lives. A further analysis shows that most accidents occur near residential areas (29.1 per cent), industrial areas (10 per cent) and schools, with the city of Delhi reporting 50 per cent. Pedestrians, two-wheelers and cyclists show a higher risk and close to 40 per cent of road accident deaths in metros are of pedestrians.

Road accidents should be considered a public health domain and we must consider the layered vulnerabilities and marginalisation that people face when devising and designing strategies. Thus, we must consider the most vulnerable road users while planning, designing and constructing roads and designing vehicles. When planning cities, we need an overall mobility plan focusing on people — not vehicles.

In a welcome move, the Government of India has announced a pilot project to provide cashless treatment of up to Rs. 1.5 lakh to all victims of road accidents, but much more needs to be done to address the causes of road accidents. We need to explore multiple solutions. Some have been tried or experimented with — cycle lanes, bus rapid transport systems or corridors, elevated paths and accessible and disabled-friendly pedestrian paths with lighting.

One of the questions on road safety is that of women's safety, which is especially crucial as roads and public spaces continue to be dominated by men. With lighting and response systems and bystanders' support, this needs urgent action to ensure safety. No silver bullet exists to ensure road safety. As mobility is crucial to cities, we need strategic solutions that consider the needs of the most vulnerable road users — people on foot, on cycles and two-wheelers.

— Sandeep Chachra and Tikender Singh Panwar in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man asks doc to remove his two fingers

Quebec: A man suffering from Body Integrity Identity Disorder (BIID) asked a doctor to remove the fourth and fifth fingers on his left hand because he felt they didn't belong on his body.

Dr. Nadia Nadeau from the Department of Psychiatry at Université Laval recently published a case report about an unnamed patient from Quebec who had been experiencing traumatising thoughts that the last two fingers on his left hand didn't belong on his body since childhood. Throughout his life, these thoughts caused him pain, constant irritability, impaired dexterity and vivid nightmares that the two fingers were rotting or burning. Although the patient did not share his distress about his fingers with his family out of embarrassment, he often fantasised about having them removed himself.

This country bans fast & slow dance music

Grozny: The Russian Republic of Chechnya recently banned Russian dance music deemed either too fast or too slow, in a bizarre attempt to fight the Western "pollution" of its conservative values.

Musa Dadayev, Chechnya's Minister of Culture, recently put out a statement that effectively criminalizes most modern dance music genres that are typically played in clubs all over the world, from house and techno to dubstep or drum'n'bass.

Dadayev said that "all musical, vocal and choreographic works should correspond to a tempo of 80-116 beats per minute," in order to conform to Chechen mentality and sense of rhythm. Russian media reports that Chechen artists have until June 1st to rewrite any music that does not conform with the new requirements.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Kidney stones can affect any parts of your urinary tract from kidneys to your bladder.

By Dr. Dinesh Kumar T P - Consultant - Urology and Andrology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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World No. 2 fastest 10k runner to be star attraction at Bengaluru Marathon

Emmaculate Anyango Achol

Bengaluru, Apr. 15 (UNI)- Emmaculate Anyango Achol, the world's second-fastest 10K woman runner, is set to be the star attraction at the 16th edition of TCS World 10K Bengaluru, taking place on Apr. 28.

Kenya's Anyango is certainly one of the standout athletes expected to shine at the Bengaluru Marathon. She had clocked 28:57 in the 10K race but finished behind her teammate Agnes Ngetich, who set a world record time of 28:46 in the same race.

"I am very much looking forward to being there and doing my best. The field of runners in the women's category is quite strong this year and I love a good challenge," she said.

Anyango acknowledged the significance of the running culture and events in India, recognising the country's role in fostering a vibrant running community over the past two decades.

Anyango's credentials extend beyond the road, as she earned a silver medal in the 2019 African Junior Championships in the 3000m event. She also nearly missed the podium at the recent World Cross Country Championships in Belgrade.

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93.54 feet	**2,255.87 feet**	**2,821.41 feet**
Yesterday's level	Yesterday's level	Yesterday's level
83.49 feet	**2,262.95 feet**	**2,826.16 feet**
Today's Inflow	Today's Inflow	Today's Inflow
82 cusecs	**17 cusecs**	**173 cusecs**
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770 cusecs	**800 cusecs**	**200 cusecs**

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- *A shrimp's heart is in its head.*
- *It is physically impossible for pigs to look up into the sky.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

The husband calls his wife, darling, sweet heart, honey and so on after 30 years of their wedding. Hearing this, one of the neighbours asked him why is he calling her so, after these long years.

Husband answered:
I forgot her name!

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'Sultan of tukde-tukde gang': PM Modi's jibe at Congress

▶ "Congress wants to annihilate *Sanatana Dharma* and destroy Hinduism" ▶ "Till Modi is here, till your blessings are on Modi, enemies won't succeed in their nefarious designs. This is Modi's guarantee"

SHOW OF STRENGTH: ***Prime Minister Narendra Modi, former PM H.D. Deve Gowda and other leaders seek support for BJP and JD(S) candidates during the mega rally in Mysuru.***

Mysuru, Apr. 15 (SBD&BCT)- Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched a scathing attack on I.N.D.I Alliance led by the Congress, saying the Opposition alliance wants to destroy *Sanatana Dharma.* "The Congress has become the sultan of tukde-tukde gang," he said.

Describing the consecration of Ram Temple at Ayodhya on Jan. 22, 2024, as the realisation of a 500-year-old dream, the PM said, "The Congress-led I.N.D.I.A. bloc boycotted Ram Mandir Pran Pratishtha, it rejected the invitation. They never respected the Hindu faith."

"However, till Modi is here, till your blessings are on Modi, the enemies won't succeed in their nefarious designs. This is Modi's guarantee," he said, amidst thunderous applause at Maharaja's College Grounds in Mysuru last evening.

Beginning his speech in Kannada at 'Vijaya Sankalpa Samavesha', Modi said, *"Nimagella nanna Namaskaragalu".* He remembered his last visit during Chaitra Navaratri to Chamundi Hill, the abode of Goddess Chamundeshwari.

"Congress party's hate towards the country has crossed the limit. Congress wants to weaken the country. The Congress party's dangerous intentions are still the same. They have not changed. They are playing with fire to assume power. Nowadays Congress hesitates to say 'Bharat Mata Ki Jai' in election rallies. Earlier, they opposed 'Vande Mataram', now they avoid saying 'Bharat Mata Ki Jai.' This will lead to the end of Congress as it is the height of Congress' arrogance," he said.

PM Modi sharpened his criticism of the grand old party in Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's home turf, saying, "Congress asks for proof from the Army about the surgical strikes. They (Congress) are working with the political wing of the banned organisation that is involved in terror activities. The game of appeasement is rampant in Karnataka."

The trajectory for 2047

PM Modi emphasised the significance of 2024 elections, asserting that they would shape India's trajectory not only for the next five years but also until 2047. Modi stated: "You see (today) the rising stature of our country in the world. Respect for India is only growing. Congress leaders who go abroad are leaving no opportunity to show the country in a bad light."

"This is a land where mothers dream about sending their children to Armed Forces to serve the nation. But the dangerous intention of Congress to divide, break and weaken the country is still the same," he said.

Modi contrasted his tenure of 10 years with what he portrays as Congress party's 60-year history of not being held accountable. He accused Congress of being adept at creating problems and deceiving public. "Modi always wants to give an account of governance. But has Congress given its report card for 60 years of its governance?," he asked.

'ATM State of looting'

Dubbing the Karnataka Congress Party as an "ATM State of looting," he alleged widespread corruption and open looting under Congress' governance, resulting in depletion of State treasury and discontinuation of crucial development and welfare schemes, adversely affecting the people of Karnataka.

The PM directly appealed to the people of Karnataka, urging them to vote for BJP-JD(S) candidates in the upcoming elections. He stressed the pivotal role their votes would play in bolstering his leadership and shaping India's future trajectory. Emphasising the power of democratic participation, Modi asserted that casting votes for BJP candidates on Apr. 26 would not only strengthen his position but also determine nation's future.

Lauds H.D. Deve Gowda, B.S. Yediyurappa

PM Modi lauded the invaluable guidance of former PM H.D. Deve Gowda and the steadfast dedication of former CM B.S. Yediyurappa within the BJP, reaffirming the party's pledge to collaborate with seasoned leaders to propel development and address the populace's needs.

Drawing from Karnataka's rich tradition of sacrifice, Modi emphasised the State's unwavering dedication to national unity and integrity. He lauded the sacrifices of the Saints of Suttur Mutt and the esteemed legacy of Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa, epitomising Karnataka's ethos of selfless service.

Highlighting symbols of unity and progress, PM invoked the spirit of Rashtrakavi Kuvempu and recounted the visionary initiatives of Krishnaraja Wadiyar for Mysuru region. Through these references, he underscored Karnataka's cultural vibrancy, intellectual depth, and historical contributions to the nation's tapestry and assured for the overall tourism development of Mysuru and Badami in Karnataka.

Present on the dais with Modi were former PM H.D. Devegowda, ex-CM B.S. Yediyurappa, Mandya LS candidate H.D. Kumaraswamy, Chamarajanagar candidate S. Balaraj Hassan candidate Prajwal Revanna, Mysuru-Kodagu candidate Yaduveer Wadiyar, MP Prathap Simha, Leader of Opposition R. Ashoka, BJP General Secretary C.T. Ravi, Mandya MP Sumalatha Ambarish, MLAs G.T. Devegowda, H.D. Revanna, T.S. Srivatsa and G.D. Harish Gowda, ex-MLAs S.A. Ramdas, B. Harshavardhan and C.S. Niranjan Kumar, City BJP President L. Nagendra, former Minister S.R. Mahesh, MLCs Suja Kushalappa and C.N. Manjegowda, BJP OBC Morcha State President Raghu Kautilya, State General Secretary M. Rajendra, District BJP President L.R. Mahadevaswamy and others.

BJP manifesto is a beacon of New India: PM Modi

Mysuru, Apr. 15 (SBD&BCT)- Prime Minister Narendra Modi hailed the 2024 BJP's election manifesto as a beacon of New India, emphasising its commitment to enhancing the quality of life for all citizens. He depicted BJP as a party dedicated to fostering inclusive growth and implementing welfare-driven policies, appealing to a broad spectrum of voters.

Speaking at 'Vijaya Sankalpa Samavesha' in Mysuru last evening, the PM underscored significant progress India has made over the past decade, attributing much of it to the transformative impact of Digital India on people's lives nationwide.

He characterised the BJP's manifesto as a blueprint for sweeping transformations in the future, painting a vision of a progressive, dynamic India. PM Modi highlighted the country's burgeoning infrastructure, with Expressways already emblematic of India's identity, while promising a forthcoming network of world-class expressways, waterways and airways that would astonish the global community.

Reflecting on India's technological evolution, PM Modi noted a shift from relying on other nations for technology a decade ago to India now spearheading missions like Chandrayaan and venturing into semiconductor manufacturing.

He expressed confidence in India emerging as a global innovation hub, envisaging the production of affordable medicines and vehicles. He touted India's potential as a research and development epicentre, with the youths of Karnataka, the nation's IT capital, poised to reap substantial benefits from these advancements.

Modi affirmed the commitment of National Democratic Alliance (NDA), led by BJP, to fulfil its promises. He reiterated this assurance, stating, 'NDA will do what it says,' and cited significant achievements such as abrogation of Article 370, elimination of triple talaq, provision of reservations for women and construction of Ram Mandir as evidence of the alliance's dedication to its pledges.

VOICE OF THE READER

Broken stone slabs, poor condition of Road in SBM Colony, Udayagiri

Sir,

We residents of SBM Colony, Udayagiri, are concerned about the condition of the road in our neighbourhood. There is a large hole dug up at the corner of road to facilitate free flow of drainage water at the intersection near the park. However, after the repair work was completed, the hole was not properly closed.

This poses a significant danger, especially in the evening and at night, as there are no street lights at the place. Pedestrians and motorists find it difficult to spot the hole, making it hazardous to navigate the area.

Taking a turn to enter our lane is particularly challenging for two-wheelers and four-wheelers. The condition of road worsened during the laying of new sanitary pipes for the entire lane.

The stone slabs in front of the gates were damaged or broken, and the stone blocks of the drainage system in front of the compound were also damaged at several places. Despite repeated complaints over the past four years, the issues with sanitary pipelines were addressed only recently, but the subsequent repair is not satisfactory.

The improper filling of mud after laying the new pipes has resulted in uneven road surfaces. The damaged stone slabs in front of our gates pose a serious risk, especially to children and elderly residents who need to navigate them daily.

Despite bringing the issue to the attention of the contractors responsible, they have refused to take responsibility or initiate repairs. This has left us in a precarious situation, with no action taken either by the contractors or the MCC to rectify the damage caused.

We urge the MCC Commissioner and others concerned to address these issues promptly. We welcome them to visit the site to assess the situation firsthand and take appropriate action to resolve these issues as soon as possible.

— Khaled Zubair and Musheer Shariff
SBM Colony, Udayagiri
30.3.2024

Power disruption in city tomorrow

Mysuru, Apr. 15- Due to emergency maintenance works taken up by CESC on Paduvarahalli power distribution route, coming under V.V. Mohalla Sub-Division, there will be no power tomorrow between 10 am and 5 pm at Paduvarahalli, Kalamandira Quarters, Vontikoppal, Temple Road and surrounding areas.

Obituary

B. Shivanna

Mysuru, Apr. 15- B. Shivanna (75), son of late Basavarajappa, passed away at his daughter's residence in Dattagalli here in the wee hours of today. A native of Pura Thagalli village in Mandya district, he leaves behind four daughters, one son and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Pura Thagalli village this afternoon.

Rtn. K. Lokanath

Rtn. K. Lokanath (70), Past President of Rotary Mysore North and a resident of Kuvempunagar, passed away on Apr. 13 in city.

He is survived by his wife Shylaja Lokanath, son Yadunandan, daughter Dr. Supriya and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Chirashanthidhama in Gokulam on the same day evening.

Syed Kaleemulla

Syed Kaleemulla (Akram Pasha), aged 60 and a resident of No. 3, LIG, Badamakan in N.R. Mohalla, passed away yesterday following brief illness. He leaves behind his mother, brothers, sisters and a host of relatives and friends. Namaz-e-Janaza was held today after Zohar (1.30 pm) at Masjid-e-Quba in Udayagiri, followed by burial at Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle.

Convocation ceremony at MYRA School of Business

Dr. G. Raghuram, former Director IIM Bangalore and former Dean, IIM Ahmedabad, delivering the keynote address at MYRA School of Business in Mysuru on Apr.13. Others seen on the dais are (from left) Dr. Prakash K. Nair, Vice-Dean and Professor; Kantharaj Urs, Managing Trustee, MYRA School of Business; Dr. Ramasastry Ambarish, Dean & Chairman of Board of Governors; Prof. BGV Kiran Kumar, Assistant Dean (Student Affairs) and Senior Assistant Professor – Information Systems and Dr. Janhavi Kote, Assistant Professor of Organisational Behaviour & Human Resources.

Mysuru, Apr. 15- The convocation ceremony of Post Graduate Diploma in Management (PGDM) was held on Apr. 13 at the MYRA School of Business (MSB) in Mysuru.

Students from the class of PGDM-2024, along with their family members, Trustees, Governing Board members, faculty and non-faculty attended the ceremony at MYRA's Athena Auditorium.

Dr. G. Raghuram, former Director, IIM Bangalore and former Dean, IIM Ahmedabad, who was the chief guest, delivered the keynote address.

Congratulating the students for their achievements, Dr. Raghuram gave insights about the global developments happening at a rapid phase and the need to build on skills as they embark on their corporate journey.

He emphasised three things — Effective Communication; Work Life Balance and Respect for others. Importance of listening, speaking truth in an acceptable way, working together as a committee, personal touch are some of the key skills to be developed, he told the students.

Speaking about work life balance, he highlighted about integrating well, value others thoughts and give importance to all in the interest of their growth.

Dr. Ramasastry Ambarish, Chairman of Board of Governors and Dean, spoke about rededicating MSB with the goal of building a "Top tier Business School in Mysuru" and MSB's mission of "developing future-ready and globally competent business leaders grounded in Indian ethos."

MSB's PGDM is now "Digital Mastery" programme, which includes a complete portfolio of courses tailored to impart our students' skills needed to thrive in the digital economy, he added.

Besides the usual courses on Business Intelligence and e-commerce, MSB has a full complement of courses in AI, ML, R & Python, Digital Transformation and Product Management in the Digital Economy, ChatGPT and Generative AI Models as well.

He also informed that now there is a Centre of Excellence (COE) on Cybersecurity, the Cyberverse Foundation and have also started a Centre for Entrepreneurship and Family Business, six months ago.

He said MSB has introduced two Certification courses, one in Digital Marketing and another in Cybersecurity for upskilling people in the industry.

Kantharaj Urs, Managing Trustee, urged the students to stay connected to their alma matter, treasure the memories and carry the values instilled going forward as they are the torch-bearers of the institution's legacy.

MYRAcles S. Nidhishree and P. Vibha shared their experience and expressed gratitude in their valedictory address.

The Honour Board and the Dean's List are Awards of Excellence and open to the students of PGDM programme.

Nidhishree and Vibha made it to the Honour Board-All Round Excellence.

PG Diploma in Management students with guests.

Disrespectful comments against PM Modi

Former Prime Minister Deve Gowda raps CM Siddaramaiah, Dy.CM D.K. Shivakumar

Congress dangerously trying to usurp power by pitting one caste against another, says former CM Yediyurappa

Mysuru, Apr. 15 (SBD&BCT)- Former Prime Minister and JD(S) Supremo H.D. Deve Gowda criticised Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar for their disrespectful remarks about Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Addressing the massive NDA rally 'Vijaya Sankalpa Samavesha' at Maharaja's College Grounds in city yesterday ahead of the Lok Sabha elections in Karnataka, Deve Gowda expressed his disappointment with Siddaramaiah's and Shivakumar's casual comments regarding the Prime Minister.

The stage shared by PM Modi and Deve Gowda was marked by a few touching moments. As Modi stepped onto the dais around 5.14 pm, Deve Gowda attempted to rise from his chair. Observing this, Modi hurried to him, gently grasping his arms and insisted that he remain seated, mindful of Deve Gowda's health concerns. Later, addressing the audience, Deve Gowda disclosed his struggles with severe knee pain but expressed his determination to pay his respects to the Prime Minister despite the discomfort.

Addressing the gathering, Deve Gowda emphasised the importance of maintaining respect for the leader of a nation of 140 crore people, particularly one who is actively working to strengthen the country's economy.

Without mentioning the names of any Congress leader, Deve Gowda sarcastically remarked that two people were ruling Karnataka and indulging in flippant talk about the Prime Minister. "A Chief Minister of six crore people talks lightly about a Prime Minister of 140 crore people who was strengthening the nation's economy," he said.

"In my 60-plus years of political life, I have not seen such a government in Karnataka as the present Congress government. It is for a specific reason that I instructed my son H.D. Kumaraswamy to join Modi who was strengthening the economy. Wealth from the State was being siphoned off to fund elections in other States by the Congress and I wanted my son to stop this," the former PM added.

NONE CAN MATCH MODI'S ABILITY

Furthermore, Deve Gowda lauded Modi's efforts in elevating India's economy and expressed his desire for the BJP-JD(S) coalition to secure a significant number of seats from Karnataka in the upcoming elections to support Modi's vision.

Referring to I.N.D.I.A. bloc leaders, Deve Gowda declared, "I know each of them and there's none among them who can match Modi's ability to propel the country forward. Under Modi's leadership, India has ascended to become the fifth-largest economy globally, and he's steadfastly working to elevate it to the top three. It's our duty that the BJP-JD(S) coalition in the State works diligently to ensure that Modi receives at least 24 out of 28 seats from Karnataka."

Addressing the gathering, former Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa claimed that the NDA was gaining momentum and slammed Congress for relying on money, liquor and muscle power, as well as misusing official resources. Yediyurappa expressed confidence that the Congress government would not continue to rule Karnataka after the election results are announced.

Royal background won't hinder my public service as MP, says Yaduveer

Mysuru, Apr. 15 (PM&BCT)- BJP candidate for Mysuru-Kodagu Lok Sabha seat Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar seized the opportunity at Prime Minister Narendra Modi's 'Vijaya Sankalpa Samavesha' held last evening at Maharaja's College Grounds to address doubts surrounding his commitment to serving as any other MP, given his lineage as the scion of the erstwhile Mysore royal family.

"Some individuals have questioned whether I will venture out of the Palace and the comforts of the AC room to serve the people if elected as an MP. In the past, the Mysore kings resided in Palaces, yet diligently worked for the welfare of their subjects, a legacy that endures to this day. Similarly, I am fully prepared to serve everyone by stepping out of the Palace," he said.

Appealing to the voters for their blessings, Yaduveer Wadiyar pledged to work tirelessly, just like a member of their own family. He assured them of his readiness to participate in public movements whenever necessary, emphasising that his royal background would not hinder his commitment to being with the people. In urging voters to elect him to bolster Prime Minister Modi's leadership, Yaduveer Wadiyar promised to emulate his ancestors' dedication to serving the people.

Mandya MP Sumalatha Ambarish echoed the call to voters, urging them to ensure that the NDA secures 400 seats in this election to further bolster PM Modi's leadership.

"The NDA partners are dedicatedly working towards the vision of making India a superpower by 2027. This is Prime Minister Modi's dream and it is incumbent upon all of us to support this dream, which will undoubtedly become a reality," she emphasised.

On June 4, Modi will secure his third term as PM: MP Simha

Addressing the gathering, incumbent **MP Prathap Simha** confidently declared that on June 4, 2024, Narendra Modi would secure his position as Prime Minister for the third consecutive term. "Have no doubts about this. Modi will be Prime Minister again," he assured, urging voters to elect Yaduveer from Mysuru-Kodagu, H.D. Kumaraswamy from Mandya, Prajwal Revanna from Hassan and S. Balaraj from Chamarajanagar.

Simha recounted his decade-long dedication to serving the Constituency and appealed to voters to extend their support to Yaduveer Wadiyar, mirroring the backing they had provided him over the past 10 years. "I have developed Mysuru and Kodagu to the best of my ability and there are many development works in the pipeline that have to be finished in the next five years," he said.

He reiterated his unwavering commitment to the party workers who had tirelessly supported him throughout his tenure. "I have protested whenever Goddess Chamundeshwari was insulted, and whenever the Congress Government denied permission for Hanuma Jayanthi," he affirmed. He noted with satisfaction that today, Hanuma Jayanthi is being celebrated even at small hobli-level places.

Rama-Sita wooden idol presented to PM Modi

Mysuru, Apr. 15 (SBD&BCT)- During PM Narendra Modi's rally in city last evening, he was felicitated with a wooden sculpture depicting Sri Rama, Sita, Lakshmana and Lord Hanuman, along with traditional gifts including a Mysore Peta, silk shawl and Mysore Mallige garland.

The wooden idol, crafted by 60-year-old sculptor Eshwar Prasad near Shankar Mutt in Mysuru, was presented to PM Modi by MLA T.S. Srivatsa.

Srivatsa explained that the decision to gift the statue of Sri Rama was inspired by the recent inauguration of Ram Mandir.

Eshwar Prasad, who has been honing his sculpting skills for over 40 years at his home-cum-shop, meticulously carved the idol from white wood, also known as jungle wood. The Prabhavali (outer frame) of the statue measures 18 inches in height and 22 inches in width.

Additionally, leaders from the BJP-JD(S) alliance presented a portrait of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar to commemorate 133rd birth anniversary of the leader on Apr. 14.

City Sculptor Arun Yogiraj, renowned for carving the Balak Ram idol consecrated at Sri Ram Temple in Ayodhya, had the opportunity to meet the Prime Minister and both exchanged greetings with folded hands.

Desilting works begin in rivers around Harangi Dam

CNNL MD, team visit work site; take stock of progress; to be completed by December 2025

Kushalnagar, Apr. 15 (Akshay &BCT)- Almost three-and-a-half years since the Karnataka Cabinet granted administrative approval and allocated Rs. 130 crore for silt removal from Harangi Dam in Somwarpet taluk, Kodagu district, the silt removal operations have commenced in the rivers surrounding the Harangi Dam, along with other associated development projects.

According to a 2019 study commissioned by the Karnataka Engineers Research Station (KERS) and conducted by Geo-Marine Solutions Pvt. Ltd, over one tmcft (one thousand million cubic feet) of silt has accumulated at Harangi Dam. The Detailed Project Report has been prepared by Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited (CNNL).

The current silt accumulation is expected to exceed the levels recorded in 2019. Harangi Dam serves as the primary reservoir for Cauvery water supply from the catchment areas to KRS Dam in Mandya, which is the lifeline of South Karnataka and Tamil Nadu.

The contract for silt removal was awarded to Maharashtra-based Shiva Constructions in October 2023, although approvals were pending at that time. The State Government began releasing funds in phases from January 2024 and approved the desilting project.

CNNL MD visits site

On Apr. 12, a team led by CNNL Managing Director Mahesh, Superintending Engineer Raghupathi, Executive Engineer Devegowda, Assistant Executive Engineers Puttaswamy and Kavirasadh (Quality Control) and Assistant Engineers Siddaraju and Sowmya visited the work site and inspected the progress of works. According to officials, the contractor is expected to complete the project by December 2025.

Currently, only river desilting operations are underway, with approval for desilting the Harangi Dam (backwaters) still pending. The accumulation of silt has led to a significant decrease in the water level within the reservoir.

4.75 kilometres of Gabion Walls

The Harangi Dam spans approximately 42 kilometres in length and Gabion Walls are planned to be constructed along both sides, covering a stretch of about 4.75 kilometres. This accounts for approximately 10 to 12 percent of the total length and aims to prevent mud (from the hills due to rains and floods) from re-accumulating through previous gaps.

Fourteen specific locations have been identified for the construction of Gabion Walls. These walls consist of stacked stone-filled gabions interconnected with wire. Typically, Gabion walls are constructed with a batter (angled back towards the slope) or stepped-back design, rather than being stacked vertically.

In addition to specific locations, nearby areas have also been identified for the construction of Gabion Walls. The silt removal process is currently underway at the Hammiyala River, Hattihole River and Gargandur River, which are prone to extensive flooding.

Silt harvester method

For the removal of silt from these rivers, a method known as the 'silt harvester' is employed. This technique involves the excavation of deep trenches to the water level, allowing the flowing silt to be collected within these trenches while maintaining a smooth passage for water. This method is being implemented at over 250 sites along the 42-kilometre length of the Harangi Dam to collect silt effectively.

In addition to silt removal efforts, several infrastructure projects are planned in the area. A new bridge will be constructed at Hammiyala village to replace an old and damaged bridge. Furthermore, a hanging bridge will be built to facilitate the movement of people to a nearby Bhadrakali Temple.

However, the desilting process for the Harangi Backwaters requires approvals from both the Forest Department and the local Panchayats, which are still pending. Additionally, there is a need to identify suitable locations for the disposal of the substantial amount of silt that will be extracted during the desilting process. These steps are needed for the completion of the overall project.

Yaduveer couple embarks on cleaning drive

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Yaduveer and Trishikha arrived at the Maharaja's College Grounds around 7.30 am, with Yaduveer behind the wheel of their vehicle. Wearing protective gloves and masks, they entered the venue with large bags, ready to clean up the area.

They worked alongside Pourakarmikas of Mysuru City Corporation to clean up the grounds, which was littered with snack packets, water bottles, wrappers and food waste.

Expressing gratitude for the Pourakarmikas' efforts, Yaduveer requested them to expedite the cleaning process. Witnessing Yaduveer and his wife diligently collecting the discarded waste scattered across the grounds, several volunteers were inspired to join the cleanliness drive.

Yaduveer emphasised the significance of maintaining cleanliness in the city, stating, "It is important to ensure that Mysuru is clean always. It is my duty to ensure the ground is clean after PM Modi's event and keeping the city clean is in line with our Prime Minister's initiative, Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. Cleanliness is one of my top priorities for Mysuru city."

The incident quickly garnered public attention, with many morning walkers expressing surprise and appreciation for Yaduveer and his wife's involvement in the cleaning drive. They were pleased to witness the immediate action taken to clean up the ground.

Yaduveer and Trishikha interacted with morning walkers, who praised their initiative and expressed hope that all political parties would follow their example. Videos of Yaduveer and Trishikha diligently picking up waste went viral across social media platforms, further amplifying the positive response to their actions.

Summer camp at Zoo

A bear playing in water to beat the summer heat at Zoo.

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Highlighting the activities of the summer camp and the Youth Club, Mahesh Kumar said "The participants will get exposure to basics of wildlife conservation and can learn about biodiversity, animal behaviour and sustainability of endangered species.

The camp consists of both theory and practical classes covering various aspects of current challenges in the field of conservation", he said adding that Zoo officials and other resource persons will interact with the participants.

Noting that the participating children will become a part of the Zoo development voluntarily in future and provide inputs on their ideas, he said that the students will be in regular touch with the authorities for further development of the Zoo and take part in various Zoo activities and programmes.

About 60 children from different schools are taking part in this first batch. The second batch will commence on May 6 and will have 65 children. Zoo Assistant Director Dr. Srinivas, RFO Muniraju and others were present.

Mysuru Zoo open tomorrow

The Mysuru Zoo and Karanji Nature Park will remain open for tourists and visitors on Tuesday (weekly holiday), on the occasion of summer holiday, according to the Zoo Executive Director.

Speeding SUV kills two in their twenties

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Despite efforts to rush Shivani to the hospital, she succumbed to her injuries midway. Meanwhile, Mahadevaswamy is currently receiving medical treatment at a private hospital.

Ullas, the deceased, was the son of Shivaram and was residing in a room on Bogadi Road, while Shivani, originally from Kerala, was staying in a PG accommodation at Bogadi.

V.V. Puram Traffic Police promptly responded to the scene, conducting an investigation and seizing all vehicles involved. Akash, the driver of the Hyundai Tucson SUV has been arrested. VV Puram Traffic Inspector Banu Kumari is overseeing the case and conducting further inquiries.

Changing Constitution is the sole agenda of BJP, RSS: CM

Dy.CM D.K. Shivakumar, former Minister M.C. Nanaiah and MLA Dr. Manthar Gowda lighting the lamp during the inauguration of 'Janadhwani-2' poll rally at Madikeri yesterday as CM Siddaramaiah and others look on.

Madikeri, Apr. 15 (PS&DM)- Lashing out at the BJP for its divisive policies, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah said that changing the Constitution is the sole agenda of the BJP and RSS (Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh).

Addressing 'Janadhwani-2' poll rally at Madikeri on behalf of Mysuru-Kodagu Congress candidate M. Lakshmana at Gandhi Maidan here on Sunday, Siddaramaiah said that a former Union Minister has openly hinted at this.

Accusing Modi of functioning as per the agenda of the RSS, he questioned the Prime Minister whether his (Modi) Government had fulfilled any of the promises it had made in the last 10 years. Wondering where the PM's famous slogan 'Achhe Din Ayega' had gone, the CM said that the PM should explain the rising prices of essential commodities and soaring inflation.

Asserting that the Congress has kept its poll promises by implementing Guarantee schemes, he said the voters must not fall prey to the illusions created by the PM and should exercise their franchise with discretion.

Pointing out that the voters of Kodagu are intelligent enough to understand what is genuine and what is false, Siddaramaiah alleged that the 25 BJP MPs of the State who were elected in 2019, had not raised their voice for the cause of the State even once.

Stating that the BJP changed the candidature of Prathap Simha due to fear of losing, the CM alleged that the Centre failed to release drought relief fund when the State reeled under drought.

Questioning the development of Kodagu under BJP MLAs for the past 20 years, he appealed the people of Kodagu to vote for Congress candidate M. Lakshmana and see the difference between the BJP and Congress MPs. He also assured that he would give whatever the two Congress MLAs of Kodagu seek for the district.

Dy.CM D.K. Shivakumar, Ministers Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa and K. Venkatesh, MLAs A.S. Ponnanna, Dr. Manthar Gowda and Tanveer Sait, Congress leaders Vinaykumar Sorake, Mehrooz Khan, Dharmaja Uthappa, K.M. Ibrahim, Veena Achaiah, Arun Machaiah, Sadhu Kokila, K.P. Chandrakala, Vinod Shivappa, former Ministers M.C. Nanaiah and Suma Vasanth and others were present.

DKS holds meeting with Vokkaliga leaders in Mysuru

Mysuru, Apr. 15 (SPN&DM)- In a bid to gain hold over the dominant Vokkaliga community to which he belongs to, Deputy Chief Minister and KPCC President D.K. Shivakumar (DKS) held a meeting with several community leaders ahead of the LS polls, at a private hotel on Sayyaji Rao Road here yesterday.

Addressing the meeting, Shivakumar said that the Congress has given tickets to Vokkaliga community members in as many as 8 LS Constituencies in the State and the party has given the ticket to a Vokkaliga leader in Mysuru-Kodagu Constituency after a gap of 47 years.

"At present, the JD(S) is limited to a single family and it would be no surprise if that party's future is over. As far as the BJP is concerned, the party is lacking Vokkaliga leadership. The Congress is the only party which the Vokkaligas can bank upon. As such, the community should vote for the Congress and thus give me the strength to consolidate my leadership of the community," he said adding that he would make honest efforts to sort out the differences regarding the community leadership in Mysuru.

Recalling that it was he who made H.D. Kumaraswamy as the Chief Minister for the second time in 2018 after the Congress lost power, Shivakumar questioned the community for how long it will support one family of the JD(S). Pointing out that Prathap Simha was given the chance for 10 years, he appealed the community members to extend support to Congress candidate M. Lakshmana, who is from the Vokkaliga community.

Recalling how the JD(S) suppressed leaders like K. Venkatesh and N. Cheluvarayaswamy, Shivakumar said that the JD(S) never nurtured leaders other than the family members of H.D. Deve Gowda. He also lashed out at the JD(S) Supremo and former CM H.D. Kumaraswamy for not allowing other capable leaders of the community to grow up politically.

Ministers K. Venkatesh & N. Cheluvarayaswamy, MLA K. Harish Gowda, District Congress President B.J. Vijaykumar, leader Manchegowdana Koppal Ravi and others were present.

Being active physically, mentally and socially is real health: MLC

Mysuru, Apr. 15 (PM&TRR)- MLC Dr. D. Thimmaiah has opined that being free from diseases alone is not a sign of good health, but being active physically, mentally and socially are the signs of real good health.

He was speaking after inaugurating World Health Day celebrations jointly organised by Uttishta Bharata Pratishtana and Himalaya Pratishtana at Namana Kala Mantap, Krishnamurthypuram, recently.

"World Health Organisation (WHO) has defined good health as being active physically, mentally and socially. We can feel ill-health physically, except for mental ill-health. Poverty, problems, unemployment, malnutrition are all signs of social ill-health," he said. Observing that food which contains more sweet and salt is the root cause of bad health, he said that we have a practice of serving salt and pickles along with other food items.

"When the curry is salt and spicy, extra salt and pickle are not necessary. The habit of consuming additional salt and pickle will result in high BP. Overeating of ghee and sweets is also not good for health," added the MLC.

"We all should exercise restraint in food consumption and should know what to eat, how much and when to eat. I am 75 years old and still walk daily for an hour and exercise for half-an-hour. I have no BP and sugar complaints. When we have control over our habits, we will have good health. Our health is in our control only. We must cultivate habits which promote good health," said Dr. Thimmaiah.

Director of Rajashekar Hospital, Varuna, Dr. H.B. Rajashekar spoke about 'Role of Lifestyle in Keeping Good Health.' Prior to this, Doctors Dr. D. Thimmaiah, Dr. H.B. Rajashekar and Dr. Lakshmidevi were felicitated.

Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal, social worker Dr. K. Raghuram, Uttishta Bharata Secretary Ananth Saligrama, Convenor Rakesh Bhat, Cartoonist M.V. Nagendra Babu, Himalaya Pratishtana President N. Ananth and others were present.

Siddu challenges Modi to give proof of Congress corruption

Mysuru, Apr. 15 (MK&DM)- Charging Prime Minister Modi of not visiting Karnataka even once when the State reeled under drought and floods, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah maintained that PM Modi cannot accuse the Congress of being corrupt in the absence of any proof.

Addressing a poll rally in favour of Mysuru-Kodagu LS Constituency Congress candidate M. Lakshmana at Azeez Sait Nagar Grounds coming under NR Assembly segment on Sunday, Siddaramaiah said that Modi has accused the State Congress Government of being a 'loot Government.'

Questioning the PM whether the BJP has paid taxes for the contributions it received through electoral bonds, the CM said that the PM has committed a sin by not paying taxes for the funds the BJP has received through electoral bonds.

Accusing PM Modi of often making false charges against the State Congress Government, he said that Modi is a liar who repeatedly tells lies about Opposition leaders and parties.

Charging the PM of not speaking even once on issues concerning the poor, dalits, minorities and other burning issues such as unemployment, soaring inflation etc., Siddaramaiah wanted to know what the BJP Government at the Centre had done for Mysuru region.

Contending that the State Govt. has been demanding the Centre for release of drought relief fund for over six months, he accused the Centre of spreading a false propaganda that Karnataka was using funds only for its Guarantee schemes and no development was taking place in the State.

Noting that the current LS polls is important for the sake of democracy as democracy was at stake under PM Modi, he said that the INDIA bloc alone can save democracy and democratic principles.

Maintaining that there was no Modi wave in the country and the only wave that exists is the Congress party's Guarantee wave, he assured that the Congress would fulfil all its 25 pre-poll guarantees if it was voted to power at the Centre. Recalling the contributions of late Azeez Sait to the Constituency, the CM said now his son Tanveer Sait has been carrying forward the legacy of his father. He appealed the electorate elect M. Lakshmana with a huge margin.

District in-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, NR MLA Tanveer Sait, MLCs Dr. D. Thimmaiah and Nazeer Ahmed, former MLAs M.K. Somashekar and Dr. N.L. Bharathishankar, KEA Chairman Ayub Khan, KPCC Women's Wing President Dr. Pushpa Amarnath, City Congress President R. Murthy, former MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, leaders Arif Hussain, Pandu, G.N. Manjunath, Syed Iqbal and others were present.

Wooden items worth Rs. 15 lakh gutted in fire

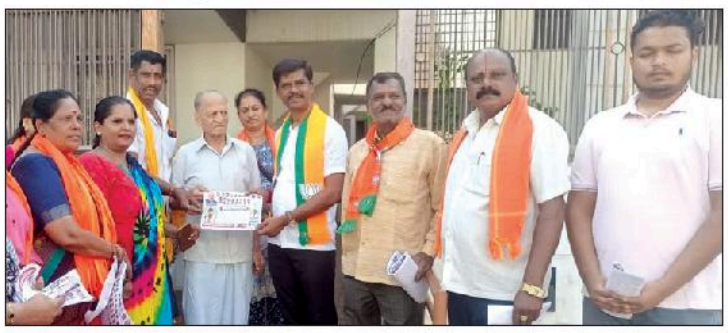
Mysuru, Apr. 15 (RK&KS)- Wooden items such as old doors, windows and other items, stored in a godown at Raghavendranagar, was completely gutted in the fire yesterday night. The godown is said to have been owned by one Syed Muzahid and the workers, who noticed the fire, immediately informed Bannimantap Fire Station at about 9.10 pm.

Over 60 Fire and Emergency Services personnel, who rushed to the spot along with eight fire extinguishing vehicles, began to douse the fire at about 9.20 pm and finally brought the fire under control at about 7.30 am today. But the fire had destroyed wooden items worth Rs. 15 lakh by then. It is suspected that short circuit led to the fire.

Chief Fire Officer P.S. Jayaramaiah, Regional Fire Officer P. Chandan, District Fire Officers K.P. Gururaj, K.C. Ramesh, K.J. Ganganayaka and Raghavendra led their staff in the fire extinguishing operation.

Udayagiri Police, who reached the spot, conducted mahazar and have registered a case.

Ex-Mayor campaigns for Yaduveer



Mysuru, Apr. 15 (MK&DM)- Stepping up the party's campaign for the Mysuru-Kodagu Lok Sabha (LS) seat, former Mayor Shivakumar campaigned for BJP candidate Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar in Ward 47 of the city.

Shivakumar undertook a door-to-door campaign in localities of the Ward and sought votes for Yaduveer. He appealed the residents to re-elect Modi as PM in the better interests of the country. Former MUDA Member Lakshmidevi, BJP leaders Upendra Kumar, Cable Soma, Shanthaveerappa, Annapoorna and others were present.

MLA Darshan to gift oxen to actor Darshan

Mandya, Apr. 15 (Mohanraj& KS)- Melukote MLA Darshan Puttanaiah bought a pair of Hallikar oxen for Rs. 2.30 lakh to gift them to Sandalwood actor Darshan Thoogudeepa.

Actor Darshan, who had visited Bebi Betta Jatra in Pandavapura taluk some time back, had shown his interest in Hallikar ox breed and hence MLA Darshan, to gift a pair of these breed of cattle, purchased a pair of cattle for Rs. 2.30 lakh from farmer Abhinandan of Holalu village in Mandya taluk.

Darshan Puttanaiah

Darshan

They are presently under the care of Chethan of Holalu village, who said that the MLA would gift them to actor at the latter's farm house on T. Narasipur Road in Mysuru, this month end.

The oxen have been named as 'Hasiru' and 'Usiru' and are fed with milk, porridge, papaya, sweet lime, curds and other nutritious food along with regular food including indi and busa.

Chethan said the arrival of actor Darshan to Bebi Betta Jatra added glamour to the religious event and hence MLA Darshan has purchased the cattle to gift them to the actor.

Lok Sabha Polls 2024

Rs. 20.51 lakh cash seized in four days at Sub-Urban Bus Stand

Mysuru, Apr. 15 (RK&KS)- The election officers manning the check-post at the entry point of Sub-Urban Bus Stand have seized a total of Rs. 20,51,900 lakh cash in four days.

This morning, the team of election officials, led by MCC Assistant Engineer K. Mani, who is deployed as the Check-Post Magistrate, seized Rs. 2,27,900 cash from a passenger who arrived in a KSRTC bus. As the passenger failed to produce documents for the cash, the officials seized the cash.

Yesterday, the election officials seized Rs. 1.54 lakh cash from a passenger, who failed to produce documents.

On last Wednesday, the same team had seized Rs. 8.25 lakh cash from a passenger, who arrived in the KSRTC bus from Bengaluru. As the person failed to produce any documents pertaining to the cash he was carrying, the election officials seized the cash.

On Thursday, the same team seized Rs. 2.45 lakh cash and Rs. 6 lakh cash from two persons, who had arrived in separate buses.

Man allegedly stabs wife over illicit relationship

Mysuru, Apr. 15- A man, suspecting his wife's infidelity, stabbed her on her neck before fleeing from the spot. The incident took place in Metagalli Police Limits in city recently.

The woman, who sustained serious injuries and admitted to K.R. Hospital, is Suma. The accused husband is Krishna, who has gone absconding.

Krishna and Suma's was a love marriage and the couple have two children. Krishna, who is said to have been addicted to liquor, used to frequently suspect his wife having illicit relationship.

Last year, Krishna, who picked up a fight with Suma for the same reason, had assaulted her with a machete and was jailed. After coming out of the prison on bail, Krishna began to fight with Suma and depressed over this, Suma left her husband's house and began to stay in her parents' house. It is learnt that Krishna used to go there too and pester Suma to come to his house.

In the meantime, Suma took up a job at a private company to earn her livelihood. When Suma was returning home after work recently, Krishna, who allegedly attacked her with a knife, stabbed Suma on the neck causing serious injuries. Suma was rushed to K.R. Hospital where she is undergoing treatment. Based on the complaint from Suma's mother, Metagalli Police, who have registered a case, are investigating and have launched a hunt to nab Krishna, who is absconding.

Advocate assaulted: Case registered against 3 persons

Mysuru, Apr. 15- Ashokapuram Police have registered a case against three persons on charges of assaulting and injuring an advocate at Jayanagar in city recently.

The injured advocate is Sunil Kumar and a case has been registered against Nanjunda and his two friends, who had reportedly assaulted Sunil Kumar. It is learnt that Sunil and his friends were having cool drinks, when Nanjunda and his friends picked up a fight with the advocate, abused him using foul language and despite Sunil telling them he was an advocate, they reportedly assaulted him causing injuries.

Sunil Kumar, who got himself treated at a hospital, later lodged a complaint against Nanjunda and his two friends at Ashokapuram Police Station. Based on the complaint, Ashokapuram Police, who have registered case, are investigating.

Mobile phone found with convict in Mysuru Jail

Mysuru, Apr. 15- Mysuru Central Prison Police personnel have seized a mobile phone from a convict who is undergoing jail term.

The mobile phone was confiscated from convict Waseem Pasha. A case has been registered at the jurisdictional Mandi Police Station. It is learnt that Waseem was using the mobile phone since several days and the Police are investigating.

WORD OF THE DAY

Aegis

Pronunciation: EE-jus (Noun)
Meaning: Aegis is a formal word that refers to the power to protect, control, or support something or someone. It is often used in the phrase under the aegis of.
Origin: English borrowed aegis from Latin, but the word ultimately comes from the Greek noun aigís, meaning "goatskin." In ancient Greek mythology, an aegis was something that offered physical protection. It has been depicted in various ways, including as a magical protective cloak made from the skin of the goat that suckled Zeus as an infant, and as a shield fashioned by Hephaestus that bore the severed head of the Gorgon Medusa. The word first entered English in the 15th century as a noun referring to the shield or breastplate associated with Zeus or Athena. It later took on a more general sense of "protection" and, by the late-19th century, it had acquired the extended senses of "auspices" and "sponsorship."
Example: "French President Emmanuel Macron visited Notre Dame Cathedral on Friday, one year before its scheduled reopening in 2024. ... During his visit, Macron paid homage to Gen. Jean-Louis Georgelin, who oversaw reconstruction & died in August. Wearing a hardhat, Macron was given a tool to assist as Georgelin's name was inscribed in wood of spire under the aegis of an artisan, memorialising the general's contribution to the cathedral." — Thomas Adamson and Sylvie Corbet, The Associated Press, 8 Dec. 2023

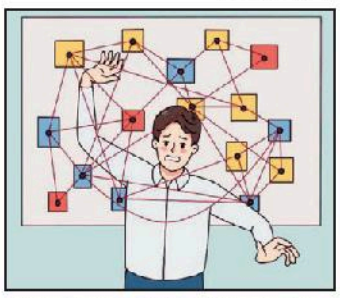
THE ODD WORD

Fipple

Grooved plug in the end of a whistle, flute, or organ pipe.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Hell in a Handbasket



Meaning: When you say things are going to 'Hell in a Handbasket' you mean that a situation is rapidly deteriorating or that you are set firmly on a course for disaster.
Origin: The origin of the phrase 'Hell in a Handbasket' can be found in the practice of capturing the heads of guillotine victims in a basket, with the presumption being that these criminals would be going straight to hell for their crimes. Although the phrase is thought to have originated sometime during the 18th century, the first printed example is found in Winslow Ayer's book on the American Civil War, The Great North-Western Conspiracy. A reprint was published in 1867's House Documents in the U.S. Congress: "Speaking of men who had been arrested, Judge Morris said "Some of our very best, and thousands of brave men, at this very moment in Camp Douglas, are our friends;
Example: "How's work going?" Answer: "Horrible. Everything's going to hell in a handbasket."

QUOTE BOX

Love is supreme & unconditional; like is nice but limited. **—Duke Ellington**

RIDDLE THIS

I am an odd number. Take away a letter and I become even. What number am I?

Answer: Seven.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Dubious
5 Through
8 French clergyman
12 Breed of cattle
14 Large cat
15 Short musical composition
16 Unsightly
17 French king
18 Greek letter - "bald ma" anagram
20 Puppy
23 A song sung in praise of God
24 Compassion
25 Failing to catch or meet
28 Gentle handling, initially
29 DNA-borne characteristics
30 Abu Dhabi's fed.
32 Dangers
34 Narrow valley
35 Coastal birds
36 ___ names : abuses?
37 Italian sausage
40 French assent
41 Harem rooms
42 Peer or lord
47 Company symbol
48 Gleams
49 Org.
50 ___ forth : begin or start a journey?
51 Lively

DOWN
1 Uncertainties
2 To and ___ : here and there, in a way?
3 By which a fish swims & steers
4 Annually
5 Roman eight
6 Botham or Chappell of cricket
7 Dissects
8 Past pupils
9 Amitabh Bachchan of course (3,1)
10 Brave and adventurous
11 One-named Irish singer
13 Halt
19 Aeronautical Mobile Satellite Serv.
20 waypoint
21 Epee handle
22 Engrave, using acid
23 Implies or insinuates
25 Senses intended
26 ____ and void?
27 Scottish Highlander
29 From which disease comes
31 Abstract being?
33 Justification
34 Merriment
36 System of worship or devotion
37 Pithy material used in making a hat?
38 Fusses
39 Hangs back or falls behind in movement
40 Death column, in short
43 Spanish cheer
44 __ culpa : an admission of guilt
45 Flightboard abbr.
46 BSE alternative for share traders

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

L	E	G	E	N	D	■	N	A	R	R	O	W
O	■	A	M	O	I	■	E	I	A	■	■	A
G	■	R	U	N	S	A	W	A	Y	■	■	R
J	O	G	■	E	T	H	I	C	■	P	I	P
A	W	A	Y	■	I	A	S	■	C	E	D	E
M	E	N	I	A	L	■	H	O	R	R	I	D
■	■	T	E	C	■	■	■	A	I	M	■	■
M	O	U	L	T	S	■	C	R	E	A	T	E
A	L	A	D	■	A	C	E	■	S	N	A	P
D	E	N	■	I	F	O	L	D	■	E	C	O
R	■	■	S	T	A	L	L	I	O	N	■	C
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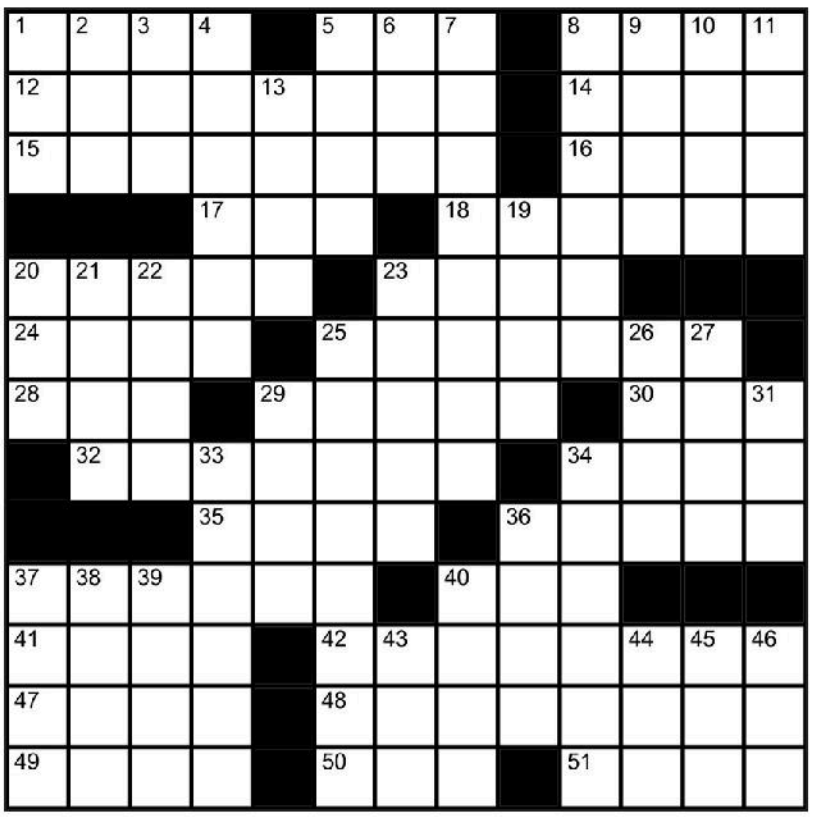

SUDOKU

	2			7				6
4				3	8			5
		3					4	
		2		4			3	
	8						5	
	5			9		7		
	6					4		
7			3	6				2
8				5			7	

Answer to previous puzzle

4	8	6	5	1	7	3	2	9
2	5	9	4	8	3	7	6	1
7	3	1	6	2	9	4	8	5
9	4	7	3	5	2	6	1	8
5	1	2	8	6	4	9	3	7
8	6	3	9	7	1	2	5	4
1	9	4	2	3	8	5	7	6
6	2	8	7	9	5	1	4	3
3	7	5	1	4	6	8	9	2

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

NOCYI ZM C TYS NOPP YI NFP GCW YN EFLZXU SL, CIU

GFPI WLZ COP LXU EYN ZIUPO NFP EFCUP LT YN.

TODAY'S CLUE: Z EQUALS U

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Words are often seen hunting for an idea, but ideas are never seen hunting for words.

MOVIE LOVERS

NOW SHOWING - SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

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  Muktha Manasu (K) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — **Ph: 2420885**
  Muktha Manasu (K) - 4 Shows
- **Sangam Theatre** — **Ph: 2520494**
  Avatara Purusha 2 (K) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** — **Mob: 98454-14691**
  Appa I Love You (K) - 4 *Shows*
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Bade Miyan Chote Miyan (K) & Bade Miyan Chote Miyan (H) - 2 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
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DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Bade Miyan Chote Miyan (H)	(S-1) 10.15 am, 7.05 pm, 10.15 pm
Godzilla X Kong: New Empire (E-3D)	(S-1) 1.25 pm
Swatantrya Veer Savarkar (H)	(S-1) 3.45 pm
Appa I Love You (K)	(S-2) 10.20 am
Muktha Manasu (K)	(S-2) 1.10 pm
Geethanjali Malli Vachhindi (Te)	(S-2) 4.20 pm
Varshangalkku Shesham (Ma)	(S-2) 7.10 pm
Aavesham (Ma)	(S-2) 10.20 pm
Avatara Purusha 2 (K)	(S-3) 10.55 am
Romeo (Ta)	(S-3) 1.25 pm
Dear (Ta)	(S-3) 4.15 pm
Maidaan (H)	(S-3) 6.55 pm, 10.20 pm
Varshangalkku Shesham (Ma)	(S-4) 10.05 am
Manjummel Boys (Ma)	(S-4) 1.15 pm
Yuva (K)	(S-4) 4 pm, 7 pm, 10 pm

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Bade Miyan Chote Miyan (H)	: 10 am, 6.40 pm, 9.45 pm
Bade Miyan Chote Miyan (K)	: 1.05 pm
Bade Miyan Chote Miyan (H-3D)	: 3.35 pm
Maidaan (H)	: 10.25 am, 6.25 pm, 9.45 pm
Godzilla X Kong: New Empire (E-3D)	: 10.45 am, 4.10 pm
Muktha Manasu (K)	: 10.45 am
Scam 1770 (K)	: 1.05 pm
Matinee (K)	: 1.40 pm
Yuva (K)	: 1.45 pm, 4.45 pm, 7.45 pm
Appa I Love You (K)	: 4.15 pm
Romeo (Ta)	: 7 pm
Dear (2024) (Ta)	: 9.45 pm

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Bade Miyan Chote Miyan (H-3D)	: 8.30 am, 3.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Bade Miyan Chote Miyan (H)	: 12 noon, 7 pm, 9.30 pm
Bade Miyan Chote Miyan (K)	: 2.30 pm
Maidaan (H)	: 9.30 am, 10.30 am, 2.20 pm 5.10 pm, 6.10 pm, 9 pm, 10 pm
Crew (H)	: 10.15 am, 4.15 pm
Godzilla X Kong: New Empire (E-3D)	: 10.30 am, 7 pm
Appa I Love You (K)	: 11 am
Yuva (K)	: 1 pm, 6.55 pm, 10.10 pm
Romeo (Ta)	: 1.10 pm, 9.40 pm
Trailers Screening Show	: 1.20 pm
Geethanjali Malli Vachindhi (Te)	: 2.05 pm
Avatara Purusha 2 (K)	: 4.15 pm
Scam 1770 (K)	: 6 pm

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Bade Miyan Chote Miyan (H)	: 9.35 am, 12 noon, 7 pm
Bade Miyan Chote Miyan (H-3D)	: 1.05 pm, 10.20 pm
Bade Miyan Chote Miyan (K)	: 3.30 pm
Yuva (K)	: 9.50 am, 7.05 pm, 10.20 pm
Maidaan (H)	: 10 am, 1.50 pm, 5.40 pm 9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Trailers Screening Show	: 11.25 am
Avatara Purusha 2 (K)	: 1.05 pm
Godzilla X Kong: New Empire (E-3D)	: 4.35 pm
Love Guru (Te)	: 7.15 pm

EVENTS TODAY (APRIL 15)

- **Sri Ramaseva Mandali Charitable Trust, Mysore North:** 30th Ramanavami festivities, Vocal Concert by Prithvi Bhaskar, **5.15 pm to 6.15 pm;** Vocal concert by Gayathri Venkataraghavan, accompanied by Mysore V. Srikanth on violin, B.C. Manjunath on mridanga and G.S. Ramanujan on ghata (Gowri & K. Seetha Rama Rao Memorial Concert sponsored by K.S.N. Prasad & Sudha & Ramaprasad), Sri Prasanna Parvathi Kalyana Mantapa, adjacent to Sri Chandramouleeshwara Swamy Temple, V.V. Mohalla, Mysuru, **6.15 pm.**
- **Trayinyas Shrividya Foundation:** 15th Vasantha Navarathri Mahotsav, Sri Dasha Shyamala Homa, Trayinyas, #8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sri Ganapathi Seva Mandali Trust, Ramakrishnanagar:** 5th Ramotsava programmes, 'Sathya Harishchandra' puppet show by Sri Rameswara Krupa Poshita Yakshagana Sutrada Gombe Mela of Hallere village in Nanjangud taluk, Rajath Sabha Mantapa of Ganapathi Temple, I Block, Ramakrishnanagar, **6 pm.**
- **Bharathi Sthree Samaja Cultural and Educational Charitable Trust:** Sri Ramanavami Festival, Pravachan by Pt. Vyasatheerthachar, Trust premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (APRIL 16)

- **Sri Ramaseva Mandali Charitable Trust, Mysore North:** 30th Ramanavami festivities, Abhishekam, Ashtottara, Navagraha Japa and Sri Ramayana Parayana, arathi, **8 am to 11 am;** Violin Solo by Amogh Nadadur, **5.15 pm;** Hindustani Vocal by Sanjana Kaushik, accompanied by Pt. Bhimashankar Bidanur on tabla and Pt. Veerabhadraiah Hiremath on harmonium (sponsored by Sudha and T.R. Harish in memory of Saroja and H.S. Venkat Rao and by Sri Chandramouleeshwara Swamy Temple, V.V. Mohalla), Sri Prasanna Parvathi Kalyana Mantapa, adjacent to Sri Chandramouleeshwara Swamy Temple, V.V. Mohalla, Mysuru, **6.15 pm.**
- **Trayinyas Shrividya Foundation:** 15th Vasantha Navarathri Mahotsav, Mahabhisheka, Saptashathi Parayana, Lalithopakhyana Parayana, Shrichakrarchana, **8.30 am;** Sri Vidya Shodasha Durga Homa, Trayinyas, #8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sri Shankara Jayanti Sabha:** Sri Ramanavami Programme-2024, Abhisheka, Archane and other puja rituals, **9.30 am;** Mahamangalarati, **11.30 am;** Flute recital by Vid. Rakesh Sudhir, accompanied by R. Chandra on thavil, Samudaya Bhavana, Tengina Thopu, 2nd Main Road, Saraswathipuram, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Ganapathi Seva Mandali Trust, Ramakrishnanagar:** 5th Ramotsava programmes, Bhajans by students of Swara Ragalaya Sangeetha Kendra, **6 pm;** Classical Music Concert by Vidu. Keertana, accompanied by her father Vid. H.L. Shivashankar Swamy on mridanga and Vid. M.D. Arjun on violin, Rajath Sabha Mantapa of Ganapathi Temple, I Block, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**
- **Bharathi Sthree Samaja Cultural and Educational Charitable Trust:** Sri Ramanavami Festival, Group Music by Vidu. Dr. Rashmi Adish Group, Trust premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

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Maidaan (H)	(S-2)	9.50 am, 1.40 pm, 5.30 pm, 9.20 pm
	(S-3)	10.10 pm
Bade Miyaan Chote Miyaan (H)	(S-3)	9.40 am
	(S-1)	10.50 am, 3 pm, 10 pm
Bade Miyaan Chote Miyaan (H-3D)	(S-1)	6.30 pm
Yuva (K)	(S-4)	9.40 am, 4 pm
	(S-3)	6.55 pm
Godzilla X Kong: New Empire (E-3D)	(S-4)	10.20 pm
Romeo (Ta)	(S-4)	12.55 pm
Avatara Purusha 2 (K)	(S-3)	4.15 pm
Appa I Love You (K)	(S-3)	1.10 pm
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Bade Miyan Chote Miyan (K)	: 2.15 pm
Trailers Screening Show	: 10.05 am
Maidaan (H)	: 10.30 am, 2.20 pm, 6.10 pm 9 pm, 10 pm
Yuva (K)	: 10.30 am, 5.45 pm
Scam 1770 (K)	: 1.45 pm
Geethanjali Malli Vachindhi (Te)	: 4.35 pm
Avatara Purusha 2 (K)	: 7.40 pm
Romeo (Ta)	: 10.20 pm

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TODAY'S MATCH (APRIL 15)

RCB Vs SRH

M. Chinnaswamy Stadium, Bengaluru — **7.30 pm**

TOMORROW'S MATCH (APRIL 16)

KKR Vs RR

Eden Gardens, Kolkata — **7.30 pm**

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

CSK - 206 / 4 (20)
BEAT
MI - 186 / 6 (20)

LSG - 161 / 7 (20)
LOST TO
KKR - 162 / 2 (15.4)

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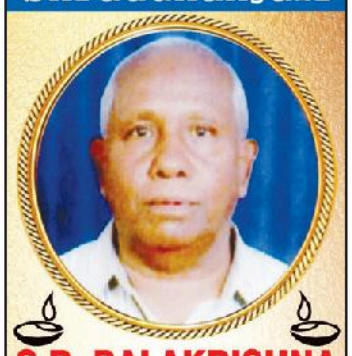

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